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RE: Dale Arnold, Petitioner V. Frederick Frank, Bradford
County District, Attorney General of The Commonwealth
of Pennsylvania, Respondents Civil NO. 1:00-cv-0775.

Dear Ms. D'Andrea:

This correspondence is in response to the Court's order dated
May 9, 2000 by J. Andrew Smyser, Magistrate Judge.

This is to inform the Court that I wish to have my petition
ruled upon as filed which is as a petition for a writ of habeas
corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Please note that this is
my first and only petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

Thank you for your attention to the foregoing.

Very truly yours,

Dale R. Arnold

Dale Arnold, Petitioner